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FOLLOWING REPEAT TOKYO 3460 ACTION SECSTATE 17 MARCH.

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SUBJECT: OVERALL REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
RELATIONSHIPS

REF: (A) STATE 55610, (B) TOKYO 3317, (C) STATE 56344,

(D) STATE 58223

SUMMARY: TO ARRANGE FOR OVERALL REVIEW, EMBOFFS MET FONOFF
OFFICIALS ON MARCH 14 AND WILL MEET AGAIN MARCH 18. FOLLOWING
IS CURRENT STATE OF ARRANGEMENTS. ACTION REQUESTED: ANSWERS
TO QUESTIONS IN PARAS 4, 5, AND 7. END SUMMARY.

1. ON MARCH 14, EMBOFFS MET FONOFF OFFICIALS (FUJII, HONDA,
AND S. TANAKA OF FIRST NORTH AMERICA DIVISION) AND DISCUSSED
POINTS IN REFTEL (A). ACTING SCICOUNS EMPHASIZED

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PARTICULARLY IMPORTANCE OF HAVING GOJ BRIEFINGS ON APRIL 7

AND 8 CONCENTRATE ON GOJ'S R&D PROGRAMS RATHER THAN ON CURRENT US-JAPAN COOPERATION. FONOFF OFFICIALS SEEMED AGREEABLE TO THIS POINT.

2. WHEN EMBOFFS EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE USG PLACES ON CONSIDERING JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES WITH IMPORTANT TECHNOLOGICAL DIMENSIONS, THOUGH, FONOFF OFFICIALS STATED THAT THIS WAS A NEW AREA AND THAT THEY WOULD CONSULT WITH MINISTRIES CONCERNED (STA AND MITI).

3. EMBOFFS ALSO STATED USG DESIRE TO COVER GOVERNMENT-TO-INDUSTRY AND INDUSTRY-TO-INDUSTRY TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, INCLUDING JOINT VENTURES, LICENSING, AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER. EMBOFFS ALSO INDICATED DR. DAVID'S WILLINGNESS TO EXPLAIN US VIEWS ON IMPORTANCE OF THESE PROCESSES IN OVERALL TECHNOLOGICAL FOLLOW BETWEEN US AND JAPAN.

4. AS REPORTED IN REFTEL (B), FONOFF HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY COPIES OF MINISTRIES' BRIEFING PAPERS. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED COOPERATIVE PROGRAM INVENTORIES MENTIONED PARA FOUR, REFTEL (A). EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE TRANSMITTAL SOONEST (OR NOTIFICATION OF AIRGRAM NUMBER, IF ALREADY SENT), TO FACILITATE ITS EFFORT TO ACQUIRE GOJ STATEMENTS EARLY, AS THEY MUST BE TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH. EMBASSY REPEATS ITS ADVICE THAT US TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT ONLY WRITTEN BRIEFINGS ON TOPICS OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS IF GOJ IS UNABLE TO PRESENT ORAL BRIEFINGS OF ITS OWN, AS GOJ WOULD BE EMBARRASSED BY ASYMMETRY IN BRIEFINGS. EMBOFFS WILL PURSUE THIS POINT (RE REFTEL D) ON MARCH 18.

5. EMBOFFS WILL SET UP TEAM MEETING AT 1000 ON SUNDAY, APRIL 6 IN SCICOUNS RESIDENCE AND ARE WORKING WITH FRED CLARK TO SET UP BREAKFAST MEETING FOR SIX MEMBERS OF US TEAM WITH ACCJ. CLARK HAS INDICATED THAT 0800 ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 WILL BE BEST TIME. ACCJ COMMITTEES ON INVESTMENTS AND LICENSING, PATENTS, AND TRADE-MARKS WILL HOST BREAKFAST. ABOUT 20-30 ACCJ MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. CLARK REQUESTS THAT ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF GROUP AGREE TO TALK FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES ON TOPIC LIKE TRANSFER OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY. PLEASE IDENTIFY SPEAKERS(S) AND TOPIC(S).

6 EMBOFFS PROVIDED REORDERED AGENDA OF BRIEFING TOPICS TO FONOFF
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AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL (A), PARA TWO. FONOFF OFFICIALS AGAIN SAID THAT THEY UNSURE OF MINISTRY REACTIONS TO BROAD TOPIC OF QUOTE INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY UNQUOTE. ON BASIS OF INFORMAL COMMUNICATION WITH MITI OFFICIALS, EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT MITI RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS INDUSTRY-TO-INDUSTRY TECHNOLOGIC RELATIONS.

7. FOLLOWING SUGGESTED AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION SESSIONS WAS REVISED AFTER DISCUSSIONS WITH FONOFF AND INCORPORATES SOME OF

FONOFF'S IDEAS WHILE RETAINING BROAD TOPICS IN ITEMS II (ESPECIALLY II D) AND III OF US ORIGINAL PROPOSAL. FONOFF HAS NOT YET SEEN THIS AGENDA IN WRITING, HOWEVER. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS.

BEGIN TEXT. SUGGESTED AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION SESSIONS
OVERALL REVIEW OF U.S.-JAPAN S&T COOPERATION

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT, UNDER EACH OF THE SPECIFIC FIELDS OF COOPERATION LISTED BELOW, HEADINGS 1 AND 2 AND THEIR DETAILED SUB-HEADINGS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

1. MECHANISMS OF COOPERATION

A. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND SCIENTISTS

B. JOINT PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

C. JOINT RESEARCH AND JOINT PROJECTS

D. THE ROLE OF INDUSTRY

2. FUTURE COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. COOPERATION IN BASIC RESEARCH

B. COOPERATION IN APPLIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

A. BASIC AND APPLIED RESEARCH IN NATURAL SCIENCES

B. ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

C. NUCLEAR ENERGY

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D. SPACE

E. TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

F. INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

G. HEALTH AND MEDICAL SCIENCES

H. ENVIRONMENT

I. MARINE SCIENCES, AGRICULTURE: AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES

NOTE: IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE AGENDA PROPOSED FOR THE PANEL'S DISCUSSIONS BE FOLLOWED RIGIDLY, SINCE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE

DISCUSSION BE FREE AND WIDE-RANGING. THE AGENDA IS INTENDED ONLY AS A GENERAL GUIDE TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN EFFECTIVE UTILIZATION OF ITS TIME. END TEXT.

8. RE TRAVEL SCHEDULE, VISIT TO ELECTROTECHNICAL LAB ON APRIL 10 WAS SET UP AS VISIT TO TANASHI BRANCH. EMBOFFS WILL CHANGE TO TOKYO (NAGATA-CHO) BRANCH AND WILL ALSO INCORPORATE OTHER CHANGES REQUESTED REFTEL (C).

9. EMBASSY WILL COMMENT ON GOJ'S REACTIONS TO INFORMATION IN REFTEL (D) AFTER NEXT MEETING WITH FONOFF ON MARCH 18.
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